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Proposed Grand Avenue improvements in Peoria, Glendale and Phoenix the focus of upcoming public meetings

The Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT), in conjunction with the cities of Phoenix, Glendale and Peoria, will host a series of public meetings in late June and early July to seek community input on possible improvements to Grand Avenue that are being considered for implementation within the next few years.

The study, which began last summer, evaluates potential improvements along Grand Avenue from Loop 101(Agua Fria Freeway) to McDowell Road for construction in Phase I (2006-2010) of the voter-approved Regional Transportation Plan for Maricopa County.

The meetings will be held:

June 25, 2008

Peoria City Hall - Pine Meeting Room 8401 W. Monroe St., Peoria 6-8 p.m.

June 26, 2008

Sunset Vista Elementary School - Multi-purpose Room 7775 W Orangewood Ave., Glendale 6-8 p.m.

July 8, 2008

Encanto Park - Clubhouse 2605 N 15th Ave., Phoenix 6-8 p.m.

A brief presentation will begin 30 minutes after the start of the meeting. Information provided at each of the meetings will focus on the proposed Grand Avenue improvements within the city where the meeting is held; however, information about projects in the other cities will be available. The public will have an opportunity to learn about and comment on the proposed improvements. Members of the study team will be available to answer questions about the projects being evaluated for each of the cities.

Improvements identified in the study are in addition to the upcoming widening projects from Loop 303 to 83rd Avenue, which will expand Grand Avenue to three lanes in each direction by 2011. Construction of the widening projects is expected to begin next year.

For more information about the meetings or the study, or for special accommodations, contact the Northwest Valley Community Outreach Team at 480.890.3055 or projectupdate@lewin-associates.com. Comments or questions may also be sent to Brock Barnhart, c/o Northwest Corridor Community Outreach Team, 1146 N. Mesa Drive #102-298, Mesa, AZ 85201.